



MONTANA STATE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: October 20, 2016

Agenda Item: Off-Highway Vehicle Grants

Division: Parks

Action Needed: Concurrence

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 10 minutes

Background:

The annual grant application period for proposed OHV grants closed July 15th. A total of 12 applications were received, with total funding request of approximately \$173,882. The number of OHV grant applications was up from the 11 applications received during the 2015 grant cycle. There is approximately \$83,000 available for the current year's grant cycle.

The applications were scored by staff and discussed at the scheduled meeting of the citizen's Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Committee (OHVAC) meeting on September 13th. All the grant applications were discussed with the OHVAC members present, resulting in the final recommendation for funding 8 grant applications.

Public Involvement Process & Results:

The proposed OHV grant projects were posted on the website and public comment was solicited via the standard process for a 30-day period. The public comment period closed August 19, 2016. There were no public comments received.

Alternatives and Analysis:

Alt. #1 – not award the 8 proposed OHV grants as recommended.

Alt. #2 – proceed with the award of the 8 proposed OHV grant projects for the current years' cycle.

Agency Recommendation and Rationale:

Proceed with the award of the 8 OHV grants as scored and recommended by the citizen's OHVAC group.

Proposed Motion:

I concur with the Parks Division's proposal to award the 8 proposed OHV grants for the current year's cycle.